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Manoj Kumar Singh

The special flight carrying Chief Minister Siddharamaiah and others that landed at Mandakalli airport this morning.

Mysuru, July 29 (MTY&BCT)- For those who constantly lament about lack of air connectivity from the Mysore Airport, here is some good news. Daily flight operations from Mysuru to Chennai will begin from September this year and there will be two flights. Air Odisha and True Jet have agreed to operate flights from Mysuru to Chennai.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* at the Mysore Airport at Mandakalli this morning, Director of Mysore Airport Manoj Kumar Singh said that the operations will begin in September under the first phase of bidding for the Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS), known as UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagarik), launched by the Narendra Modi Government.

Under RCS, the Central Government has identified 19 airports in the State for development and upgradation. The Ministry of Civil Aviation and the Karnataka Government signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on April 20 to develop these airports with features that include helping the common man fly at affordable rates, promoting tourism and encouraging regional growth, he said.

(See FLIGHTS on page 13)

Mason grabs smart phone
offer, gets vegetable chopper !

Mahadev displaying vegetable chopper.

Mysuru, July 29 (RK&BCT)- What you would do if a person telephones you and offers you a Samsung Galaxy smart phone, starting from Rs. 12,000 range, a free SIM card and a vegetable chopper for just Rs. 1,500?

Well, it depends on the person who receives the call. If he is shrewd, he will immediately realise that no one will sell a Samsung phone for Rs. 1,500. But here is a man who fell for the trap and ended up losing his hard-earned Rs. 1,574.

On July 24, a woman telephoned Mahadev, a mason and a resident of Sindhuvalli village, and told him that she was representing a marketing company and her firm offered a Samsung Galaxy smart phone, a free SIM card and a vegetable chopper for just Rs. 1,500. She asked him if he was interested in the offer. Mahadev replied in the affirmation and she told him to go to the Sindhuvalli Post Office after two days to collect a Value Payable Post (VPP).

Mahadev later told some of his friends about the offer and they told him that it was a good deal. A convinced Mahadev gave a missed call to the woman's phone number as directed by her. She told him that the parcel would arrive in two days. When Mahadev repeatedly asked her if her offer was genuine, she blurted out some brand names and gave a guarantee that he could own a smart phone for Rs. 1,500. She even told him that after obtaining the parcel, he could come to Kalamandira to meet her.

(See PHONE on page 13)

PM Modi should intervene
to end Cauvery row: CM

Chief Minister Siddharamaiah is seen addressing media persons at Mysore Airport here this morning, as Social Welfare Minister H. Anjaneya, MLC R. Dharmasena and MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar look on.

Mysuru, July 29 (MTY&DM)- Chief Minister Siddharamaiah has demanded the intervention of Prime Minister Narendra Modi for ending the Cauvery row involving Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. He maintained that the State had no choice but to follow Supreme Court order on release of Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu.

Speaking to press persons at Mysore Airport in Mandakalli here this morning, the CM said that the dams in Cauvery basin were only half-full and as such the Government was finding it hard to release water to canals.

Claiming that he himself was a farmer, Siddharamaiah said he was not the one to hesitate even for a minute to release water to canals if there was enough storage in dams.

Stating that the first priority of Government was supply of drinking water, followed by agriculture and other purpose, the CM said the State Government was always committed to protect the interests of farmers.

(See CAUVERY on page 13)

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

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Yesterday	89.60 ft
Inflow	4,841 cusecs
Outflow	4,081 cusecs
Last year on this date	99.60 ft

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,858.50 ft
Inflow	4,160 cusecs
Outflow	5,100 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,272.75 ft
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Slim sentinels serving society

The proverbial expression *Set a thief to catch a thief* is traced to a play published in 1665, where it is described as an 'old saying.' According to the Oxford Dictionary of Proverbs, another remark *'Being a thief myself, I recognised the tracks of a thief,'* attributed to the classical Greek Writer Callimachus (310-240 BC) is thought by littérateurs to have influenced the English proverb. Both expressions support the prescription that the best person to *recognise* a thief is another thief presumably because they share the same way of thinking and acting. However, that advisory is not considered proper in the contemporary dispensation of administration, deploying the *Police force* to carry out the arduous task. Here it is not intended to either connect overtly or covertly the thief with the Police or cast aspersions on the law-keepers. Further, liars are far better at spotting lies than normal, nay honest people. Maybe, the Kannada proverb *'A thorn must be extracted only by using another thorn'* conveys the same message of the aforementioned expressions without raising a controversy in the context of writing about Police.

The parameter of Police to population ratio provides some insight into *a)* the outlay on the Police establishment by the administration, *b)*the perceived extent of societal behaviour in the matter of law and order, *c)* reported incidents of various kinds of crime such as burglary, dacoity, murder, frauds and so on, an addition to all sorts of violation of the land's laws. Data from the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime shows that India's ratio of 138 Police personnel per lakh of population is the fifth lowest among the 71 countries included in the survey.

Mysore city of several decades ago witnessed tranquil life to an extent that not many of its residents were aware of the exact location of its few Police Stations, housed in unglamorous buildings. Even the uniform of the members in the Police force then looked unattractive compared to their current smart attire, except for the colourful turban which are still in use by them on ceremonial occasions. Mysuru has dramatically jumped into the league of hundreds, if not thousands of cities across the country keeping the Police force on its toes trailing the tormenting members in society.

Providing VIP security, keeping heightened vigil at airports, strategic installations, reservoirs, places of worship considered sensitive, heritage structures and so on, apart from bringing mob outrage under control have necessitated countrywide *expansion* of Police force, costing a bomb to the nation. A recent report of the top brass in the department offering some attractive incentives to Constables for getting rid of their flab, particularly their *expanding* belly augurs well both to the force and society at large.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

***A B.Com (Honours) textbook advising students to write emails short enough to be interesting like skirts has created an outrage on social media. The book** 'Basic Business Communication' **has been authored by C.B. Gupta, a former Head of the Commerce Department of a Delhi University-affiliated college. The textbook is widely prescribed by Professors to B.Com (Honours) students in most DU-affiliated colleges. The book, which has been in print since over a decade, said, "e-mail messages should be like skirts-short enough to be interesting and long enough to cover all the vital points."** — In The Times of India.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

World's Most Secure Wallet!

Yerevan: Armenian-based start-up Volterman has recently unveiled a smart wallet that takes security to the extreme. Wallets almost seem obsolete in this digital age, but the Volterman Smart Wallet is not your average wallet. Apart from the screen, it packs about as much technology as your smartphone, including 512MB of RAM, a built-in camera, power bank, GPS tracker, alarm system, RFID protection and even Wi-FI hotspot capabilities.

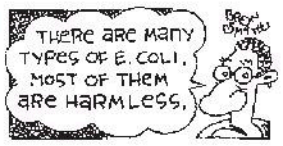
It may look like a simple leather wallet on the outside, but it's a whole different beast on the inside. One of the main features of the Volterman Smart Wallet is the distance-sensitive alarm system. Then there's the global GPS tracker that allows you to locate the wallet anywhere in the world, an RFID protection system designed to prevent electronic pick-pocketing or RFID skimming. If someone dares to open your wallet without your knowledge, the little camera will take a picture and send it to mobile phone," said the founder of Volterman.

"World's Dullest Movie"

London: Filmmakers usually strive to make their productions as entertaining and engaging as possible, but the people behind "Baa Baa Land," an epic 8-hour movie scheduled for release this Sept. set out to do the opposite. With no dialogue, no plot and no human actors, just lots and lots of sheep, the so-called "world's dullest movie" was designed to put viewers to sleep. Produced by Calm, a company that produces mindfulness meditation products, 'Baa Baa Land' is being advertised as "the ultimate insomnia cure" and "better than a sleeping pill." It was filmed in Essex, England, and consists of slow motion shots of sheep in a field. Basically, nothing happens for eight hours, but that was the whole the whole point. Producer Peter Freedman, said it could be the dullest film ever made, adding: "We hope that audiences will, too." The makers of 'Baa Baa Lan are hopeful that the movie will get a cult following, and claim that there is "every possibility" for a sequel. We're not ruling it out that it may even be 16 hours. Maybe even 24. Who knows?"

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

Is there anything good about E. Coli Bacteria?



Although E. Coli bacteria has been the cause of many deaths, we could not live without it. Found in the intestines, E.Coli helps us digest green vegetables and beans (It also makes gas!) E. Coli makes Vitamin K, so our blood can clot. Without it, we would bleed to death.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Installation of Lions Rajivnagar team

Syed Ismail Vijaya Kumar Asad Shariff

Mysuru, July 29-The Installation Ceremony of Lions Club of Mysore-Rajivnagar for the Lionstic year 2017 - 18 will be held today at Lions Bhavan in Tilaknagar at 7.30 pm.

Minister Tanveer Sait, Hon. Lion Member, will be the chief guest. Ln. M.K Somashekar, MLA, will be the guest of honour. Ln. Dr P.R.S Chethan, MJF, District Governor 2010-11, will induct the new members and install the new team led by Ln. Syed Ismail as President, Ln. M. Vijay Kumar - Secretary, Ln. Asad Shariff - Treasurer), Ln. Dr. Mukram Ulla Khan - Club LCIF Co-ordinator, Ln. Mir Shameem Raza - 1st Vice - President, Ln. Umrana Sarawath, 2nd Vice-President, Ln. Yasmeen Sultana - Membership Chairperson, Ln. Saif Mohammed - Club Service Chairperson, Ln. Kaleem Ulla Baig - Club Marketing & Communication, Ln. Syed Ghose - Tail Twister, Ln. Ansar Pasha - Lion Tamer; Board of Directors are: Ln. Ayaz Pasha, Ln. Abdul Kaleem, Ln. Younus Shariff, Ln. Baby Sumera and Ln. Nikath Zehra, according to a press release.

Elected to Institute of Cost Accountants of India

Sanjay Padmanabhan

Mysuru, July 29-CMA Sanjay Gupta and CMA H. Padmanabhan have been elected as President and Vice-President respectively of The Institute of Cost Accountants of India for the year 2017-18, according to a press release from CMA M. Ashok Kumar, Chairman, The Institute of Cost Accountants of India, Mysore Chapter.

Really...?

- *In Kentucky, it is illegal to carry an ice cream cone in your back pocket.*
- *The fear of cooking is known as Mageirocophobia and is a recognised phobia.*
- *The tea bag was introduced in 1908 by Thomas Sullivan of New York.*
- *Arachibutyrophobia is the fear of peanut butter sticking to the roof of the mouth.*
- *In South Africa, termites and ants are often roasted and eaten by the handful, like popcorn.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A Sardarji goes to a Chinese restaurant and puts his finger on the last of menu: *Bring this.*
Waiter: *Oh! you can't get it because he is the owner of the restaurant!!*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 64.13
1 UK Pound	Rs. 84.23
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 17.45
1 Euro	= Rs. 75.37

VOICE OF THE READER

Thanks for writing on *EPW*

Sir,

KBG's *Abracadabra* in yesterday's *SOM* was a remarkable recollection of *Economic and Political Weekly* (*EPW*). My introduction to the magazine came in early 1970s when I was a student at the Central College in Bangalore studying B.A Economics (Honours). During one of the debates in the campus, a senior of mine was extracting content from *EW* (*Economic Weekly*) in defense of the topic of the day. I know this, as he had given the *EW* to me when he went to participate in the debate.

When I was glancing through the article by Ashok Mitra titled '*Calcutta Diary by A.M.*' it impressed me tremendously for the simplicity, humorously critical and easy to read style. Immediately I started subscribing to it, which I continue even today in my 60s.

Your recollection of Sachin Chaudhuri is very well crafted and his intellectual verve so well described. Years later, people associated with him told me his single-handed effort in making *EW* (then as it was called) popular. It became his very existence, nay his oxygen of life.

You have portrayed Krishna Raj very sensitively. I was so eager to meet this man, I travelled to Bombay in 1973 and forced an uncle there to take me to the *EPW* office at Hitkari House to meet this elusive name 'Krishna Raj.' In my very first encounter I was simply awestruck at his simplicity and extremely soft speech. As I was a student still, he made me feel very comfortable and asked simple basic questions. My next meeting was in 1997 which was the last.

The *EPW* was of such high intellectual standard, the scholars, social scientists and economists across different streams would wait for their articles to be published. *EPW* gave me an exposure to remarkable contributors to the magazine such as Ashok Mitra, Dr. V.K.R.V. Rao (Founder of Delhi School of Economics, Institute of Economic Growth and Institute for Social & Economic Change), Dr. Sukhamoy Chakraborty, Prof. K.N. Raj (Founder of I.D.S Trivandrum), Nobel Laureate Amartya Sen and Krishna Bharadwaj. My first exposure to Romila Thapar was a book review. The book was on Indian History. I also read about D.D. Kosambi, Prof. Irfan Habib, Prof. Bipan Chandra and other intellectual writers of Indian History. Prof. M.N. Srinivas too contributed on Sociology. Another notable person was Prof. A.K.N. Reddy on Alternative Energy and Dr. K T. Achaya (CFTRI) on Oils, Foods and Fats.

Thank you for writing a fantastic reflection on the *Economic and Political Weekly*.

— D. Giridhar

V.V. Mohalla
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By order of the Board of Directors
Sridhar B. Kulkarni
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Mysore.
Dated: 23.6.2017

Special Notice

1. **Whoever have received the Annual General Body Meeting Report Book, Wherein by inadvertence some of the pages are missing, such members are requested to receive the above said book with all missing pages at venue of Annual General Body Meeting.**
2. **Free Health Checkup is organized for benefit of Hon'ble members sponsored by: SUHAS DIAGNOSTIC CENTRE, No. 101/2, 1" Floor, Above BSNL Office, Beside Café Aramane, Opp. City Bus Stand, New Sayyaji Rao Road, Mysore.**
3. Members should compulsorily bring the identification card issued by the Bank and sign in the attendance.
4. Holiday has been declared to the Bank on Monday 31-7-2017 on account of GBM on 30.7.2017

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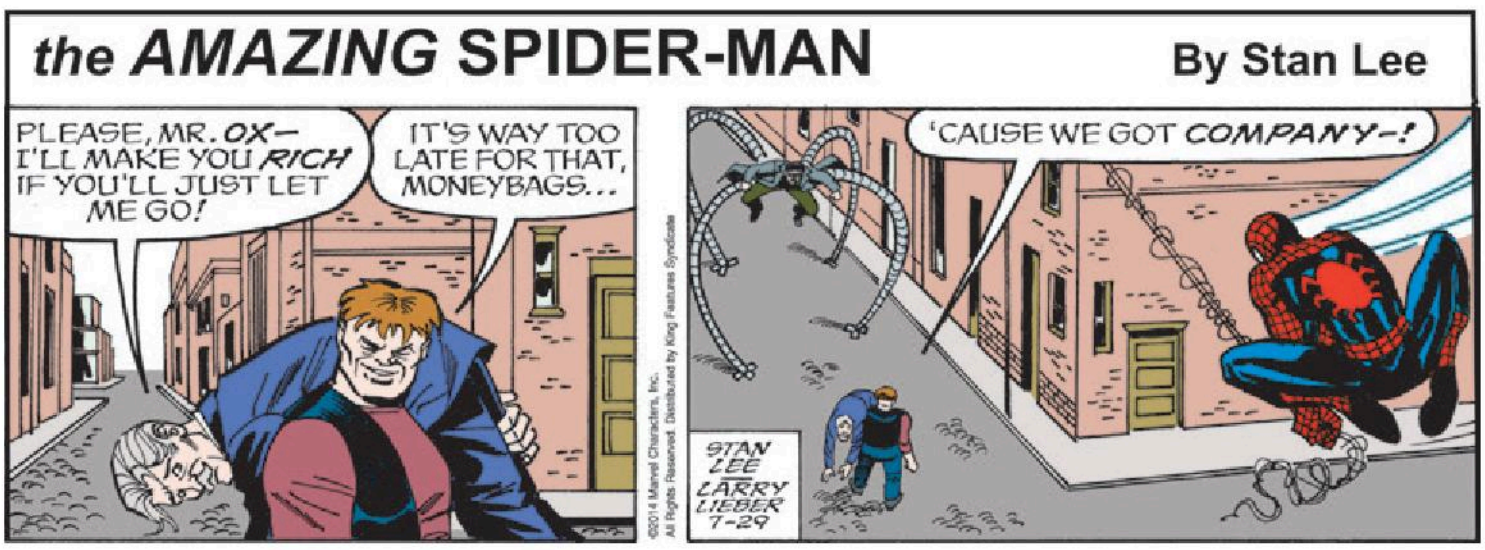
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NEWS BRIEFS

Annual Meeting

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Mysuru Region Engineers and Non-Technical Employees Housing Co-operative Society, will be held on July 30 at 10.30 am in Sri Vidyashankar Nilaya Kalyana Mantap, Fort Mohalla in city. For details, contact Ph: 0821-4194666, according to a release.

Swati Puja

'Swati Puja' will be held at Sri Lakshminarsimha Swami Temple, located in the premises of the Mysuru Branch of Melukote Yadugiri Yatiraj Mutt, on Kalidasa Road in Jayalakshmipuram on July 31. Mahasudarshana Sankalpa Homa and Special Abhisheka will be performed at 7 am, Special Decorations at 12.30 pm, Mahamangalarati and Prasadam Distribution at 1 pm. Prakarotsava at 7.30 pm.

Interaction

Samudaaya, 3rd Ramachandra Agrahara, has been organised a seminar on 'Theatre and Social Movement' at Maneyangala in Kalamandira premises on July 30 at 5 pm. Prof. U.N. Lakshminarayana and Krishna Janamana will take part. [Mob: 98801-27376]

Academic Council Meeting

The Academic Council Meeting of University of Mysore (UoM) will be held at the Crawford Hall on Aug. 5 at 11 am, according to the Deputy Registrar.

Pratibha Puraskar: Entries invited

Lions Club of Mysore Millennium, in association with Sanjana Balaga Pratishtana, has invited applications from the children of the Teachers, Lecturers and Professors, who have secured above 95% marks in 2015-16 SSLC exams, to present Pratibha Puraskar. Eligible candidates may send their two photographs, marks card xerox, along with the details of School or College the parent is working in, before Aug. 12, to Sanjana Balaga Pratishtana, No.215, 'Shambhavi,' Bisilu Maramma Devasthana Road, 4th Cross, Gangothri Layout, Mysuru-09. For details, contact Mob: 94806-31186.

As part of its 35th Annual Genral Body Meeting, The Citizen House Mortgage and Housing Co-operative Society Limited, Chamaraja Mohalla, has invited applications from those who have secured high marks in 2016-17 SSLC, 2nd PUC & Post-Graduation Exams and those who have won medals in the State and National level sports events conducted by the Government, to present Pratibha Puraskar. Eligible candidates may submit their applications before Aug. 5 and the function will be held on Aug.13. For details, call: 97412-02595.

Conman poses as Cop, marries woman

• Wife complains to Police
• Accused claimed he was DAR Constable

Accused Shivamurthy

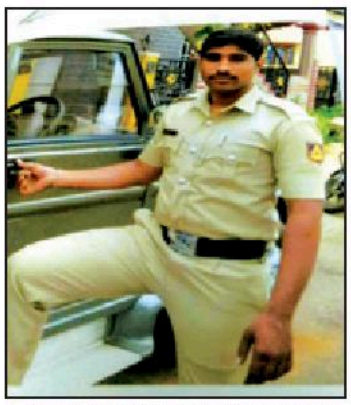
Mysuru, July 29- While incidents of conmen posing as wealthy individuals and cheating gullible women in the name of marrying them has become common, here is a man who posed as a Police Constable to cheat a lady. He succeeded in marrying her but the fact that he was not a Police Constable did not remain under wraps for long and he has now been arrested by the Mysuru Rural Police.

The conman has been identified as 25-year-old Shivamurthy, a resident of Mavinahalli village on the city outskirts. He managed to convince a woman from Bogadi a year ago that he was a Constable from District Armed Reserve (DAR) and succeeded in marrying her.

After some months, the woman grew suspicious about Shivamurthy's profession and later she discovered that he was not a Cop but a conman. The woman easily fell into the trap as Shivamurthy was to dress up like a Police Constable and even had identity cards and photographs to prove his claims.

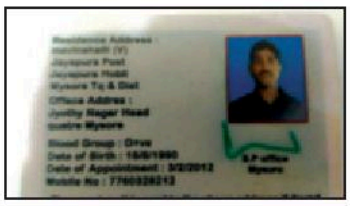
At the time of marriage, he kept a demand of Rs. 1 lakh cash and 260 gram gold ornaments. Accordingly, he was given the cash and gold as dowry and there was no way that the lady could doubt him as he was confident and convincing in his speech.

After marriage too, he left the house daily with uniform, complete with a Police belt and a name-badge. When his wife raised suspicion about his job, Shivamurthy clicked some photographs of him with a Police jeep.



Accused Shivamurthy posing with a Police jeep.

Through his dealings, Shivamurthy had managed to borrow crores of rupees as loans and was under the impression that, as he convinced people that he was a Police Constable, money lenders would not trouble him. His luck, however, ran out when people came to his house demanding that he pay back their money.



After some time, Shivamurthy absconded from his house and his wife had to bear the brunt of people who lent money. She contacted DAR and learnt that her husband was not a Constable and she and her family had been taken on a royal ride. She lodged a complaint with the Mysuru Rural Police who have arrested Shivamurthy.

The Police are now interrogating him to see if he has conned other people.

Postnatal mother dies in Mandya District Hospital

Relatives stage protest alleging doctors' negligence

Anitha

Mandya, July 29 (Nagaiah)- A young mother, who delivered a baby, died of a heart attack soon after giving birth in Mandya Institute of Medical Sciences (MIMS), also called the District Hospital, here on Thursday. The family has alleged the negligence of the doctors for her death.

The unfortunate woman is Anitha (25), wife of Gurulingaiah of Kelagare village in Channapatna taluk. As soon as she experienced symptoms of labour last Tuesday, she was admitted to the MIMS Hospital. The doctors informed the family that she had started bleeding on Thursday. Later, she had a heart attack when she was delivering the baby and died. However, the baby, (a boy), has survived and is doing well, it is learnt.

Relatives' protest

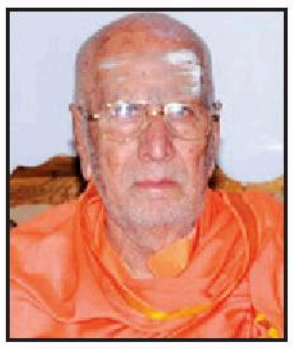
As soon as the news of the death of the mother reached the relatives, they gathered in front of the hospital and staged a protest alleging negligence of doctors for the cause of the mother's death.

Husband Gurulingaiah said that his wife was doing well. But, the doctors told him that she had started bleeding and by morning, soon after delivering the baby, she had died of heart attack.

"The doctors did not even allow me to see my wife and later they refused to allow us to see the body. Besides, when we asked for the treatment report, they refused. It was only due to the negligence of the doctors that I lost my wife," Gurulingaiah, expressed his anguish. The hospital staff act high-handedly and are not prepared to listen to us, he said. The irate family and relatives of Anitha staged a protest in front of the hospital.

Anitha, daughter of Lakshmidevamma of Nagavara in Channapatna, was married to Gurulingaiah, son of Savithramma and Ramalingaiah of Kelagere in the same taluk, five years back. The couple already had a son, who is now three years old.

Mariyala Mutt Seer no more



Sri Mahantaswamiji

Chamarajanagar, July 29 (SS&DM)- Chamarajanagar taluk Mariyala's Sri Murugharajendra Swamy Mahasamsthana Mutt Seer Vidwan Sri Mahantaswamiji passed away yesterday following brief illness. He was 80.

Last rites were performed at the Mutt premises as per Veerashaiva tradition this afternoon. Born on Oct. 2, 1937 at Teramballi village in Kollegal taluk of Chamarajanagar, the Seer after having early education at Teramballi and Kollegal, had his Collegiate education at Srimanmaharaja Sanskrit Pathashala in Mysuru. After completing his scholarly education, he joined the Mutt and became its Seer on Nov. 16, 1979.

Woman draws pension of her dead sister for ten years!

Nanjangud, July 29 (Ravi)- A woman, who was forging the signature of her dead younger sister and drawing her pension for ten years, has come to light lately.

Rajamma, resident of Veeradevanapura in the taluk, had died on October 7, 2007. Her elder sister Shantamma, without revealing this, was drawing her (younger sister's) pension thus duping the Bank. Rajamma's husband was a Central Government employee and after his death, she was making a living with her husband's pension. The pension account was in the SBI branch. However, Shanthamma in connivance with the children of Rajamma, was drawing pension every month duping both the Government and the Bank. The surprising part is, every year, the pensioner has to personally go to the Bank and sign on the Life Certificate. How was it possible for Shanthamma to draw the pension for ten years without the Bank being aware of it? The Bank people after all these years, finally had a doubt and lodged a complaint with the Nanjangud Town Police who have registered a case and are investigating.

(The flip side is — it is a sorry sight to see the very old and infirm who are not able to climb the steps of the Banks or Government offices located in first or second floors, struggling to climb the steps with the help of their relatives to go and sign the certificates.)

DAR ARSI Lingaraju passes away

Mysuru, July 29- DAR Assistant Reserve Sub-Inspector (ARSI) Lingaraju (57) passed away here yesterday following brief illness.

His last rites were performed with Police honours at his farmland at Mandakalli last evening, according to family sources.

OPERATION KAMALA

Cong. MLAs from Gujarat land in Bengaluru

Bengaluru, July 29 - The Congress High Command, worried over the defection of six party MLAs in Gujarat to the BJP in the past couple of days, has shipped 46 of its MLAs to Bengaluru, fearing *Operation Kamala.*

They are expected to stay here till the crucial Rajya Sabha elections on Aug.8.

With the re-election of Ahmed Patel, All India Congress Committee (AICC) General Secretary and confidant of Congress President Sonia Gandhi, in jeopardy after the defection of three MLAs on Thursday and three others on Friday to the BJP, the remaining 46 Congress MLAs landed at the Kempegowda International Airport in the early hours of today and were whisked away to a nearby resort.

Congress sources said the High Command sounded out the State Party leadership in Bengaluru on safe-keeping the MLAs. The Congress has put Karnataka Energy Minister D.K. Shivakumar, who has handled similar situations earlier, to take charge of the Gujarat Congress MLAs.

BJP gets bikes used in Uttar Pradesh campaign for Karnataka polls

Meanwhile, the State BJP is set to emulate one more success mantra from Uttar Pradesh in poll-bound Karnataka, with the State unit seeking the very motorcycles extensively used for campaigning during the Assembly polls in UP for the party activities in Karnataka. The first batch of 26 bikes, wrapped in protection covers, arrived from UP at the State BJP Headquarters in Bengaluru earlier this week. The second batch of 25 bikes will be arriving soon. The bikes are painted white with stripes in saffron and a sticker of the lotus symbol. The BJP plans to use them in the ongoing '*Vistarak*' campaign (an initiative based on UP model) to establish direct contact with people ahead of the forthcoming Assembly elections in the State.

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Kurubarahalli Sy. No. 4 and Alanahalli Sy. No. 41 'B Kharab' land row

DC's report to be finalised in a week

Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep chairing a closed-door meeting with regard to Kurubarahalli Sy. No. 4 and Alanahalli Sy. No. 41 'B Kharab' land row at his office here yesterday.

Mysuru, July 29 (SBD)- Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep has said that the last meeting to resolve Kurubarahalli Survey No. 4 and Alanahalli Survey No. 41 rows will be held in a week, following which a confidential report will be submitted to the Revenue Department Principal Secretary.

The DC, who held a closed-door meeting in this regard at his office here yesterday, said that the Government has given one-month deadline to submit the report for ending the row.

Pointing out that there were 63 petitions pending in the Court regarding Kurubarahalli Survey No. 4, the DC said that all these petitions have been listed. The Additional Secretary of Revenue Department, who took part in the yesterday's meeting, has given some suggestions on including some points in the report to be submitted to the Government. Accordingly, another round of meeting involving Revenue Department officials will be held, wherein the report will be finalised, the DC said.

Stressing on the need for preparing the report in 10 days as the one-month deadline is nearing, Randeep said that the MUDA has been asked to provide more information on layout formation and to explain further why the landed properties coming under the two Survey Numbers be dropped from 'B Kharab' land classification.

After receiving more inputs from the MUDA in this regard, the confidential report that is to be submitted to the Government, will be finalised at the last meeting and later submitted to the Revenue Department Principal Secretary, the DC Said.

Mysuru-Bengaluru rail services
delayed as Tipu Express hits buffaloes

Mandya, July 29 (Nagaiah& BCT)- Train services from Mysuru to Bengaluru were affected for nearly two hours yesterday afternoon after the Tipu Express hit two buffaloes. The incident occurred between Mandya and Hanakere Stations.

The train, with over 1,000 passengers, was heading to Bengaluru when it hit the buffaloes, Railway officials said. The incident occurred at 12.10 pm and the incident damaged the steam pipe of the train. The train's air compressor (main component of the braking system) was also damaged. Officials said that a herd of buffaloes crossed the tracks as the train was speeding. Tipu Express leaves Mysuru at 11.30 am.

Officials said that as soon as the buffaloes were spotted crossing the tracks, the loco pilot applied brakes suddenly and the train came to a screeching halt. While one buffalo was caught under the bogies, the other was seriously injured.

Railway officials from Mandya and Mysuru rushed to the spot and cleared the carcass from the tracks. The train was stopped for nearly two hours at the spot, they said. Railway engineers tried to repair the compressor but in vain. Finally, after they said the locomotive was not fit for further journey, officials summoned a replacement engine and the train resumed its journey at 2.30 pm. The movement of other trains from Bengaluru and Mysuru was not affected as they used the other track.

Women Beware! Chain-snatchers have come from Solapur

- Krishnaraja Police arrest woman from Kalaburagi
- Unearths information about Solapur gang

Mysuru, July 29 (RK&BCT)- Festival season is on and a special gang has come to target women who wear gold chains in Mysuru. The gang specialises in chain-snatching and usually snatch gold chains either by attention diversion or by using force. The gang includes women members too.

One among the gang members was arrested in city yesterday by the Krishnaraja Police and she has been identified as 25-year-old Saritha. Gold chains worth Rs. 6,50,000 has been seized from her possession. She was arrested on grounds of suspicious behaviour on Basaveshwara Main Road. On questioning, she revealed to the Police that she was attempting to sell the gold chains.

Her full name is Saritha Kashinath, a resident of Bapujinagar in Kalaburagi. On interrogation, Saritha told the Police that she hailed from Kalaburagi and had come to Mysuru with a special mission — to rob women. The Police also learnt that specialised gangs have come to the city from Solapur in Maharashtra.

Police say that around 10 members including five women have come to the city from Solapur and are living in shanties along the ring road. Apart from chain-snatching, the gang also specialises in house breaking and robbery.

Interrogating Saritha, the Police discovered her modus operandi. Police said that Saritha's victims were women bus passengers. "She would wait at the bus stop. While on board, she snatched chains and other valuable ornaments from other women passengers," Cops said. Police have recovered as many as seven gold necklaces, totally amounting to 233 grams in gold. Some of the ornaments include black pearl necklaces, *mangal -sutras* and design bead chains.

Police said that the gang members target women who visit temples. "This is festival season and many women visit temples with heavy jewellery. They identify their targets near crowded areas and three to four women surround the target while one woman is an expert in snatching chain. The chain-snatcher first puts her sari pallu on the victim's shoulders and diverts her attention. She later deftly snatches the chain and immediately mixes with the crowd.

Saritha told the Police that she had snatched 6 chains atop the Chamundi Hill and had sold them to one Asim of Agrahara. She was attempting to sell other two chains when she was caught.

After establishing that one of the gold chains that Saritha had snatched belonged to one Vijayalakshmi, a resident of Dattagalli, the Police handed back her chain. Vijayalakshmi told the Police that at the Chamundi Hill on Ashada Friday, she was standing in the queue felt that an ant had bitten her neck. "My gold chain was snatched before I turned and I could not even realise the theft. Only later I realised that my chain has been snatched," she told the Police.

Private company manager murdered in Mandya

Mandya, July 29 (Nagaiah& BCT)- A Manager of a private company was hacked to death in Mandya at Thoobinakere Industrial area yesterday.

The victim has been identified as 60-year-old Chamegowda, the project manager of Venus Mines and Minerals. He was serving the company since the last two years. According to the Police, the incident occurred late last night and the killers called him from inside his house that was given by the company as official quarters.

After calling him from the quarters, the killers attacked him with lethal weapons and crushed his head with a stone. Chamegowda was working as an engineer in Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) and after retirement, he worked for Venus Mines and Minerals. Mandya Rural Police have registered a case and are on the lookout for the accused.

Textile shop burgled in N'gud

Nanjangud, July 29 (US)- An increase in number of theft cases in town of late has driven the residents to panic.

Last night a textile shop on R.P. Road, 18th Cross was reportedly burgled by forcing open the rolling-shutter and miscreants have stolen Rs. 20,000 in cash and goods worth Rs. 30,000, according to a complaint lodged by the shop owner Shakeel with the Town Police.

Later the miscreants made a vain bid to gain entry to a cement shop on Hullahalli Road.

A few days ago, cash of Rs. 7 lakh was snatched by miscreants by diverting the attention of the victim who had just drawn the amount from a bank.

All these incidents indicate a well organised gang operating in town. Hence, the residents and shop-keepers have requested Police to step up night vigil.

The Town Police have registered the cases and begun investigation. Assistant SP Mohammed Sujitha visited the spot.

Anti-Dengue Month Jatha

Mysuru, July 29- The Department of Health and Family Welfare will be conducting Anti-Dengue Month Jatha on July 31 at 10 am from Primary Health Centre (PHC) at Thonachikoppal in city.

The Jatha will be flagged off by Corporators Jagadeesh and Pushpalatha Chikkanna.

It will pass through Floor Mill Road, Hemavathi School, Ganesh Bandar, Janatha Nagar, Sahukar Chennaiah Road and culminate at the PHC.

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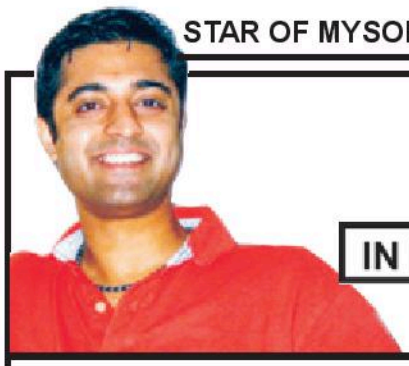

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Aggressive Patriotism

From National Flag to... National Microbe !

We have become aggressive about the symbolisms of our Nation rather than the Nation itself. We are more worried about how we wave our Flag and how often we sing our Anthem than worry about how to build a better Nation and be better citizens.

This comes to mind because of two incidents that happened recently. One, where a young man said he always goes 10 minutes late for a movie to avoid the advertisements and the National Anthem! And second because of Akshay Kumar, the actor.

To begin with, standing up for National Anthem in a movie theatre feels mechanical, doesn't feel patriotic. It doesn't give one goosebumps and make you love your nation; the reason is because as you watch the Flag on the screen flutter the thought of what politicians, our bureaucrats and we have done to this Nation does not reflect patriotism.

Also it's forced and what is forced lacks sincerity. And randomly standing for an Anthem feels like propaganda efforts. After all, the first time people were forced to stand for the National Anthem in cinemas was during Indo-China War in 1962.

Now, let's count our blessings that our National Anthem is melodious and short. Imagine if ours was like the Greek National Anthem which has 158 stanzas, and we had to not only memorise it but stand and sing it for that long?! Or like the South African Anthem which has five languages in it — Xhosa, Zulu, Sethotho, Afrikaans and English — Imagine us having 22 officially recognised languages in our Anthem. Worse, it would then turn our Anthem into a political tool for appeasement as we have another 1,500 dialects vying to find a place in the Anthem…Phew!

So let's all be thankful we have a nice and short Anthem and even though it may not necessarily make us better citizens just because we stand up in a theatre, hopefully it will at least remind us to be grateful to live in a free Nation.

More importantly, you will not forget the words — after all, we never sing the Anthem once we finish schooling. So sing it, who knows you may feel truly patriotic and one day become a better citizen.

Now, the Flag issue. Akshay Kumar, in his enthusiasm to cheer the Indian women's cricket team at the Lord's waved the Indian Flag but for his bad luck he was holding the green side up, which is the wrong side…and that was enough for '*Desh Bhakts*' to abuse him.

The same happened to Shah Rukh Khan when he waved the Flag holding it upside down. One Ravi Brahme, the National Secretary of a Party called Lok Janshakti Party, filed a complaint. Yes, we have a Flag code that states: "*The Flag shall not be intentionally displayed with the 'saffron' down.*" But the key word here is "intentionally."

We have to ask such die-hard patriots, while they take to task Indians who have "insulted" the Indian Flag unintentionally, what have they done about people who have abused Mother India intentionally and continue to do so?

Now, how many of us know what the Flag stands for? Well, our President Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan said this about what our Flag symbolises and stands for:

"Bhagwa or the saffron colour denotes renunciation or disinterestedness. Our leaders must be indifferent to material gains and dedicate themselves to their work.

The white in the centre is light, the path of truth to guide our conduct.

The green shows our relation to (the) soil, our relation to the plant life here, on which all other life depends.

The Ashoka Chakra in the centre of the white is the wheel of the law of dharma. Satya, truth and dharma, virtue ought to be the controlling principles of those who work under this Flag"

So we ask these aggressive patriots, have the keepers of democracy — politicians, bureaucrats and the law-enforcement authorities — respected what our Flag stands for? While they salute the Flag ever so often, have they been *"indifferent to material gains and dedicate themselves to their work?"*

While they stare up at the Flag, do they feel that they have *"taken the path of truth to guide their conduct?"* While they penetrate our motherland for coal and iron ore, do they *"think of our relation to the environment as all other life depends on it?"* While they gave land of war widows to private limited companies, did they follow the *"Ashoka Chakra: the wheel of the law of dharma and satya, which ought to be the controlling principle of those who work under this flag?"* NO.

So why are these aggressive patriots not taking on these violators who are doing everything against what the National Flag stands for? After all, the Flag is a piece of cloth, but what makes it special is what it stands for.

Yes, our Flag must be protected against both kind of abusers — the ones who burn it and the ones who harass fellow citizens for publicity in the name of protecting the Flag.

This obsession of the Flag reminds me of a saying by a Pulitzer-winning American poet: *"Not for the Flag of any land, because myself was born there will I give up my life.*

But I will love that land where man is free, and that land I will defend."

While we love the Flag, we must make India the land the Flag symbolises. What's the point of protecting Mother India's handkerchief while she is being dis-robed and abused? Save her first, her hanky can wait.

PS: While we have various National symbols from National Flag to National Animal, it is interesting to know that India named a National Microbe in 2012 ! It's name is *Lactobacillus delbrueckii.* It is one of several bacteria used to make curd.

Let's hope we are not forced to salute *dahi puri* or curd rice before consuming it !

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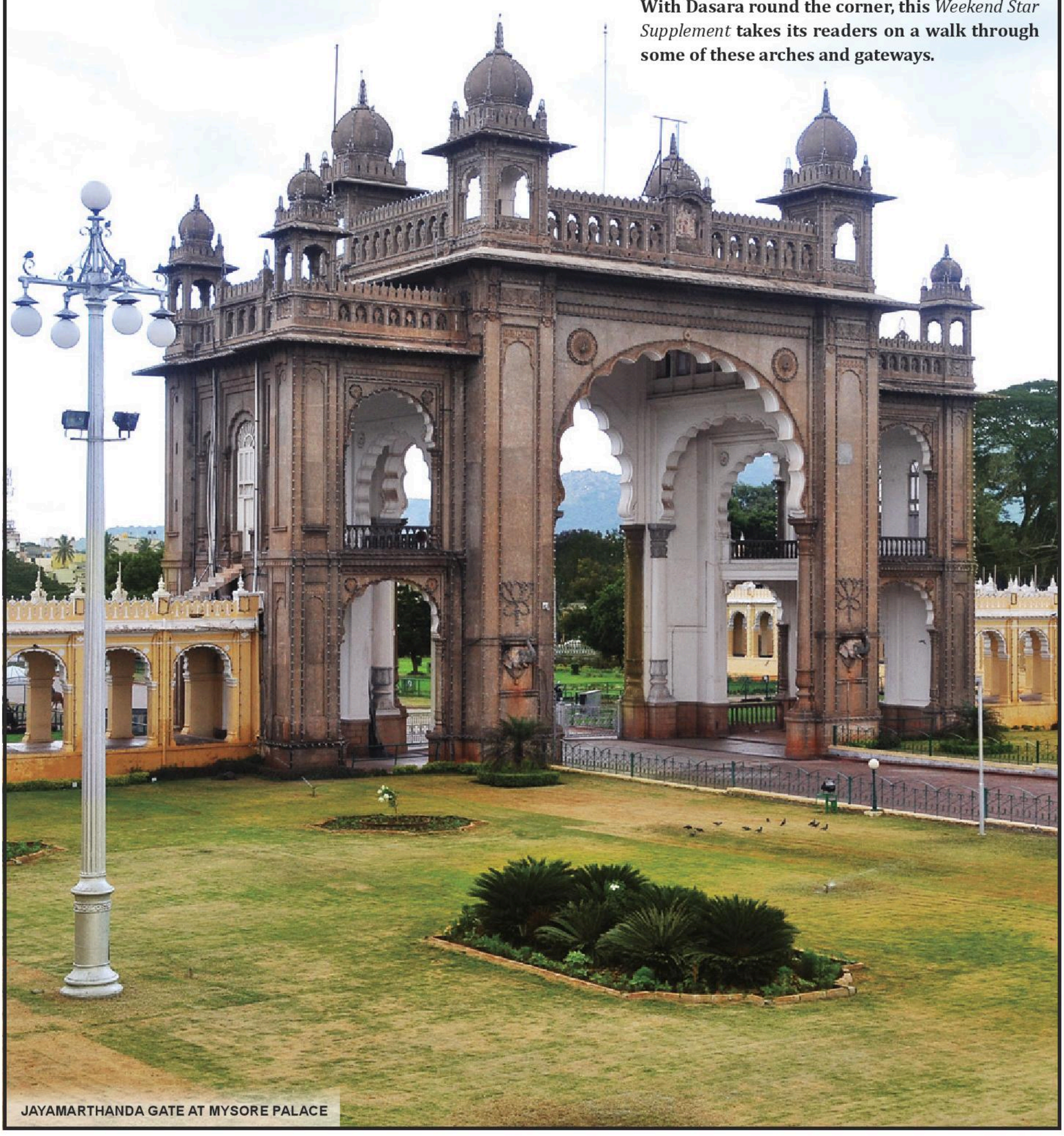
Weekend STAR Supplement

Mysuru Saturday 29th July 2017

Royal Arches and Gateways

Apart from being home to many heritage buildings and structures of historical value, Mysuru is also known for its majestic arches, pillars and gateways. These architectural marvels, which are a treat to watch, are the gifts from Wadiyars, the erstwhile rulers of Mysuru. With Dasara round the corner, this *Weekend Star Supplement* takes its readers on a walk through some of these arches and gateways.



JAYAMARTHANDA GATE AT MYSORE PALACE

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Walk through these Arches

By S.N. Venkatnag Sobers

The contributions of erstwhile rulers of Mysore are immense when it comes to education and culture. Mysureans, for generations to come, will continue to extol their contributions and the standing examples of some of them are Krishna Raja Sagar Dam, University of Mysore, Mysore Medical College, Mysore Paints and Varnish Limited, Mysore Paper Mills and many more apart from the iconic Palaces both in Mysuru and Bengaluru.

Having given importance to art and culture, Wadiyars made sure to leave behind many impressive structural marvels and they today stand as a Royal stamp, reflecting their grandeur and aesthetic sense. Among these structures are marvellous arches and gateways which are built in front of some of these heritage structures in Indo-Saracenic style.

Among the major arches are the ones built in all four directions of the Mysore Palace. While passing through the Bengaluru-Nilgiri Road, people can see a magnificent arch built on the **eastern side of Mysore Palace which is called the Jayamarthanda Gate, the grandest of all gates in city.**

History says that Wadiyars began their religious rituals from this gate like welcoming the Royal Horse, Royal Elephant, Royal Cow or bringing a palanquin inside. Even today, the practice is followed with Dasara elephants being brought into the Palace through this gate after traditional rituals.

JAYAMARTHANDA GATE

- History says that Wadiyars began their religious rituals from Jayamarthanda Gate.
- Dasara elephants are brought into the Palace through this gate.
- Jayamarthanda Gate is open only once in a year to welcome the Dasara Elephants.

JAYARAMA AND BALARAMA GATES

- Elephant carrying the Golden Howdah passes through Balarama Gate on Vijayadashami day.
- Attached to these gates are Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Kote Ganesha Temple and Sri Rama Temple.

The gate was also used by the Maharajas to travel towards Chamundi Hill or Lalitha Mahal Palace. Near to it are the temples of Goddess Gayathri and Lord Trineshwara inside the Palace premises. Jayamarthanda Gate is open only once in a year to welcome the Dasara Elephants into the Palace. It is closed for visitors at all other times.

Next are the Jayarama and Balarama Gates located on the northern part of the Palace. These are also equally popular as Jayamarthanda Gate as the elephant carrying the Golden Howdah passes through the Balarama Gate on Vijayadashami day, culminating the Navaratri festival.

Attached to these gates are Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Kote Ganesha Temple and Sri Rama Temple. This also the place from where the processions and jathas are taken out by various organisations round the year.

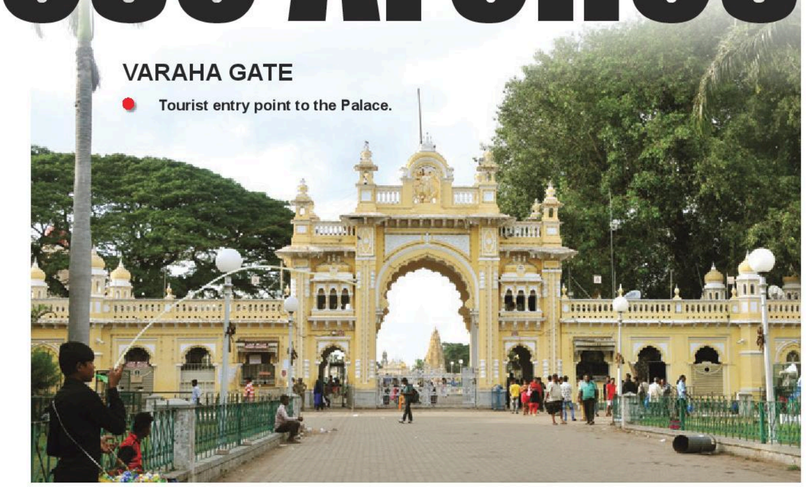
After visiting the Jayarama-Balarama Gates, one needs to travel towards the **west side of the Palace on Sayyaji Rao Road to find the Brahmapuri Gate, the oldest among the gates at the Palace.** This gate is known to be used by the Royal Family members to travel towards the Parakala Mutt, Jaganmohan Palace and the city market. This gate was also used by Parakala Mutt Seers whenever they visited the Palace on special occasions.

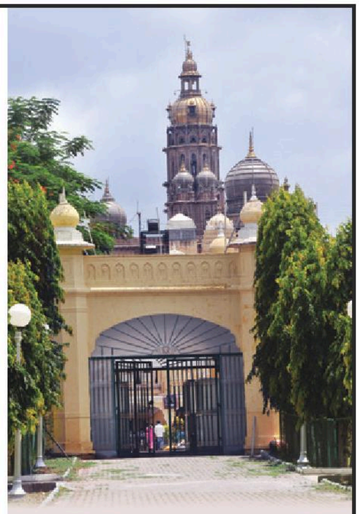
BRAHMAPURI GATE

- Oldest gate at the Palace

VARAHA GATE

- Tourist entry point to the Palace.





AMBA VILAS GATE

- Gate was used by royal invitees and durbaris to enter the Durbar Hall for Khas Durbar during Dasara.

KARIKALLU THOTTI GATE

- It is Located opposite the Mysuru City Corporation building.
- Royal family used to stock up vegetables and groceries in the Mothi Khane building opposite the gate.

Travel a little further, you will find the **Karikallu Thotti Gate opposite the Mysuru City Corporation building.** It is said that the royal family stocked up vegetables, groceries and other items at the Janata Bazaar building which was earlier known as Mothi Khane. And whenever there was a need, groceries would to be brought to the Palace through the Karikallu Thotti Gate.

After this is the **Amba Vilas Gate towards the South of the Palace on Purandara Dasa Road located in between Mysore Palace and CADA (Cauvery) Office.** It is said that the gate was used by the royal invitees and durbaris to enter the Durbar Hall while the Khas Durbar was held during Dasara celebrations. On travelling a little further, is the **Varaha Gate, also in the southern part, which is now a tourist entry point to the Palace.** It is said that the gate was constructed for the internal security purpose of the Palace. The gate is located near the Gun House were the Mysore Kings used to keep their weapons. Varaha Gate used to give easy access to the Gun House and near this is the Varaha Swamy Temple. **[Continued on page 12]**

File photo of entry arches at the Anandeshwara Mutt next to Teresian College in Siddartha Layout. Picture right shows one of the gates of the Mutt which continues to be in a state of neglect. Not much information is available on these gates though they reflect the Royal stamp. *[Pic courtesy: British Library and Ramsons Kala Prathistana]*

Gates of Grandeur

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Gateway on the Krishnaraja Boulevard that leads to DC office.

One of the oldest gateways on Ashoka Road.

A gateway which is prominently seen is the one on the Ashoka Road which leads to St. Philomena's Church from the Fountain Circle at N.R. Mohalla. The heritage department and the district authorities have made sure that the gateways on the Krishnaraja Boulevard and Bengaluru-Nilgiri Road are protected by installing iron railings.

As you take the Bengaluru-Nilgiri Road, you cannot miss the giant arch in front of the Karnataka Exhibition Grounds that is a part of the Doddakere Maidan. The arch sports a main gate and two gates on the sides that are usually used to allow visitors inside. This arch is illuminated during Dasara and all the days of Dasara exhibition that is held between October and December every year.

But the most popular gateway is the one located on the T. Narasipur Road that leads to Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel. This gateway was built at the time when the Lalitha Mahal Palace was constructed during 1920s.

Unfortunately, exact and reliable information on these landmark gateways is not available. There is a need for authorities concerned to come out with information on these structures which are historical marvels of Namma Mysuru.

Entry arch at the Dasara Exhibition Grounds.

Apart from magnificent arches of the Mysore Palace, the city also has a few majestic gateways which were earlier the entry points for guest houses and other offices built during the Wadiyar rule.

The oldest among the gateways is probably the one located opposite to Sub-Urban Bus Stand. This was earlier the gateway for the Government Guest House built during 1805 by the British to accommodate high-rank officers of the East India Company.

There is another gateway on the Krishnaraja Boulevard which was the entry gate for the residence of James Davidson Gordon, the then Chief Commissioner of Mysore during the British Rule. The building is now the Deputy Commissioner's office. It is believed that the gateway was built along with the building in 1895. This gateway leads to Crawford Hall, Oriental Research Institute, Yuvaraja and Maharaja Colleges.

The gateway near Sub-Urban Bus Stand.

Lalitha Mahal Palace Gateway on T. Narasipur Road.

WATER WOES

JD(S) protest in city enters Day-6

DC Randeep appeals agitators to withdraw protest

Mysuru, July 29 (RK&VNS) - Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep and Cauvery Neeravari Nigama MD Shivashankar and other officials held a meeting to look into the protest by JD(S) MLA Sa.Ra. Mahesh and other leaders at the CADA (Cauvery) office premises this morning and appealed them to withdraw their protest.

The officials said that the irrigation department had gathered information regarding the water storage and rainfall and added they were waiting for the instructions from the higher authorities, which was expected after the Cauvery Advisory Committee meeting in Bengaluru.

Meanwhile, MLA Sa.Ra. Mahesh ruled out withdrawing the protest and said it would continue until the Government decided to release water to canals and stop the release of water to Tamil Nadu.

DC D. Randeep (extreme right) is seen along with protestors this morning.

He said the officials decided sitting at their offices in Bengaluru but it was the representatives, who had to face the wrath of the people every day. Stating that State Government was releasing water only to retain power, he instructed the officials to advise the Government to submit an affidavit to the Supreme Court stating the State was facing severe drought and it was not possible to release water. Mayor M.J. Ravikumar, Former Mayor R. Lingappa, JD(S) Corporators Kempanna, K.T. Chelluvegowda and SBM Manju, farmers and others were present.

Farmers stir throws traffic out of gear

Mysuru, July 29 (US&RK)- Traffic on Mysuru-Bengaluru road was held up for over an hour this morning at Kalasthavadi on the outskirts of the city as about 250 farmers from Naganahalli, Palahalli, Lakshmipura and other villages resorted to a snap stir and blocked the busy road demanding water to canals.

The Police were caught napping as the farmers had not taken prior permission from them to stage the stir, thus throwing traffic out of gear, inconveniencing the motorists who were left fuming in despair.

On receiving information, Police Personnel from Srirangapatna rural, Metagalli and NR Stations rushed to the spot to defuse the situation. They warned the farmers that they could be arrested for not seeking prior information to stage the stir.

Unmindful of the warning the farmers were prepared to court arrest and be jailed but demanded water to canals. As the situation had reached a flash point, the cops realising the gravity spoke to their higher-ups and decided not to arrest the farmers. After a long wait for permission from higher ups, the Police managed to dissuade the farmers from holding the motorists to ransom. The traffic returned to normalcy after over an hour

PM Modi should intervene in Cauvery row: CM

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Lingayat religion issue

Replying to the BJP's allegation that the Congress was out to divide the society in the name of Veerashaiva-Lingayat separate religion, Siddharamaiah said it was the BJP which was dividing the society and not the Congress.

Pointing out that Veerashaiva Mahasabha had submitted a petition seeking a separate Veerashaiva Lingayat Dharma while Mate Mahadevi had sought Lingayat dharma, the CM said he had asked the two to come together for a meeting, where an amicable solution can be found.

Claiming that State BJP President B.S. Yeddyurappa as opposition leader had written a letter seeking a separate Veerashaiva-Lingayat dharma, and which has also been confirmed by another senior BJP leader K.S. Eshwarappa, Siddharamaiah accused the BJP of playing politics. Commenting on the 3-day Dr.B.R. Ambedkar international event held at Bengaluru recently, the CM said such an event was necessary, as communal forces were getting deep-rooted in the State.

Siddharamaiah said the event had spread the right message to the society, at a time when secularism was under severe threat.

Hindi in Metro

Referring to the use of Hindi in Bengaluru Metro stations, the CM said there was no need for Hindi in Metro Stations of Bengaluru. Pointing out Chennai Metro stations had only two-language signages, the CM questioned BMRCL's three-language signage.

He said that he had written to the Centre on making Kannada mandatory at Metro Stations. Lashing out at the Centre for displaying a step-motherly attitude towards the State, Siddharamaiah said while the Centre instantly released Rs. 500 crore as relief to flood-hit-Gujarat, it was silent to repeated requests by Karnataka for release of funds to tackle drought.

NDRF Policy

Continuing his tirade at the Centre, the CM criticised the new National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) Policy, in which new guidelines have been incorporated.

Asserting that the new NDRF policy was detrimental to the States, the CM said that as per the new NDRF guidelines, only 26 taluks of the State can be declared as drought-hit, while the fact was that 166 taluks were reeling under drought.

The Chief Minister, who arrived by a special flight from Bengaluru along with Social Welfare Minister H. Anjaneya, was received by DC D. Randeep, Police Commissioner Dr. A.S. Rao, DCPs Dr. H.T. Sekhar and Dr. Vikram V. Amathe, MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar, Commissioner Dr. M. Mahesh, MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, MLC R. Dharmasena, KEA Chairman B. Siddaraju and others.

The Chief Minister left for T. Katuru village in the taluk to take part in the first death anniversary rituals of his son Rakesh Siddharamaiah.

Mason grabs smart phone offer

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Accordingly, Mahadev got a call from the Sindhuvalli Post Office yesterday that he had got a VPP and he had to pay Rs. 1,574 to take it. Mahadev took the money to the Post Office and to his shock, when he opened the parcel he found only a cheap vegetable chopper worth about Rs. 200. There was one slip inside and word "Coupon" was printed on that.

When Mahadev called the woman on the number, it was not reachable.

Mysuru-Chennai daily flights

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"There will be two daily flights from Mysuru to Chennai and we have considered this popular route. People can reach Chennai in one hour and by paying Rs. 2,500 per seat. "Bhubaneswar-based Air Odisha will operate the night flight at 9 pm. The 19-seater plane will arrive in Mysuru at 8.45 pm and will leave for Chennai at 9 pm," Manoj Kumar Singh said.

Hyderabad-based True Jet will operate the 72-seater morning flight and its timings are yet to be decided. "Every day, hundreds of travellers take the Shatabdi Express and other express trains and we are targeting that crowd as they can reach Chennai in one hour. True Jet reaches in one hour but the 19-seater Air Odisha will take one-and-a-half hours to reach Chennai," he said.

Under the RCS scheme, air operators have bid for operations from Bengaluru to Bellary, Bidar to Bellary and Mysuru to Chennai. "Future plans will be to start operations from Mysuru to Kochi, Hyderabad and Kannur under the UDAN scheme," he said. "Representatives from the Union government, Airports Authority of India and the flight operating companies have visited the airport and we are set to fly from September," he said.

Agreements have been signed with Air Odisha and True Jet for three years and operators cannot terminate the contract. "If there is a gap in the revenue or losses, the Union government will fund 80 percent and the States will fund 20 percent to reimburse the losses, he added.

Manoj Kumar Singh said that a refuelling station will be set up at the Mysore Airport and Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL), a Fortune 500 oil refining, exploration and marketing PSU with a Navratna status, has evinced interest in setting up the refuelling station. "Refuelling station in Mysuru will boost air traffic and increase the popularity of Mysore Airport as both private and public sector airline companies can refuel their planes here," he said.

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Stagnant water, a problem at S.S. Nagar

Rain water, which has turned the road slushy, has remained stagnant in front of Modern Enterprises at SS Nagar in Bannimantap resulting in it becoming a perfect place for mosquitoes to breed. Authorities concerned are urged to take action at the earliest.

Stinking garbage welcomes people at Vidyaranyapuram

An empty space near a park located opposite to St. Thomas School in Vidyaranyapuram has become a garbage dumping yard. The morning and evening walkers and students are welcomed everyday by stinking garbage, rodents and mosquitoes. The park has been neglected with no maintenance. Will the concerned authorities look into the matter?

MCC's plastic talk on KRS Road!

This advertisement by MCC on the walls of road located below Railway Underbridge on KRS Road near Mandovi Motors, is talking of reduce, reuse and recycle plastic. I thought plastic is banned in the 5th cleanest city in the country. Zoom the picture, you will see lots of plastic stuck on each letter. Will MCC wake up? Asks SOM reader Shantharam.

Labourers should unite for their rights: Labour Court Judge

District Labour Court Judge N.M. Ravi inaugurating a workshop on 'Labour Rights' at Rotary Centre on JLB road here recently as others look on.

Mysuru, July 29 (SP&DM)- "Unity among the working class is of utmost importance for labourers to get their just demands fulfilled," opined District Labour Court Judge N.M. Ravi.

He was speaking after inaugurating a workshop on 'Labour Rights' jointly organised by Human Rights Protection Committee, Labour Department, ESI and PFO at Rotary Centre on JLB road here recently.

Pointing out that there will be employees who have demands that varies with each employee, Judge Ravi opined that individual demands cannot be met and as such it was important that workers put up an united fight for fulfilment of their demands.

Stating that every worker has a responsibility just as he/she has a right, he said that these two were like the two faces of the same coin.

Noting that with the rise of population, laws too are getting changed, he observed that job openings must grow in line with the population.

ESI Hospital Medical Superintendent Dr. Veereshappa too spoke on the occasion.

District Assistant Labour Commissioner A.C. Thammanna gave a brief on labour laws.

The Committee President K. Raghuram presided. EPFO Assistant Commissioner Sachin Sourabh, PF officer H.K. Anand, the committee office-bearers Shanta Mahadevaprasad, Kasturi Chandru, Venkataram Kashyap, B.N. Geetha Ganesh, Javaregowda, Sumitra Ramesh and others were present.

Govt. has agreed to pay minimum wages for GP employees: Maruti Manpade

Mysuru, July 29 (YDS&DM)- Veteran communist leader and Karnataka State Gram Panchayat Employees Association President **Maruti Manpade** *(in pic.)* has said that the State Government has agreed to pay minimum wages to GP employees.

Addressing a meeting of District Gram Panchayat employees at a private hotel here recently, Manpade said the Government, responding to the agitation of GP employees had raised wage of computer operator and bill collector to Rs. 13,187 that of waterman to Rs. 11,533, sweeper to Rs. 13,635 and peon to Rs. 10,065.

Pointing out that the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Minister has agreed to upgrade 1,147 Gram Panchayats across the State, he said the decision will help in creation of more jobs besides providing a promotion opportunity for employees.

Accusing the Centre of promoting private players in the communication sector instead of boosting BSNL, he said the centre's action has only helped in networking of urban areas while rural areas are still far behind.

The Association office-bearers K. Basavaraj, Nanjunda, Lokesh, Nagaraj and others were present.

DC directs speedy disposal of Atalji Jana Snehi applications

DC D. Randeep (2nd from left) presiding over a meeting of Revenue Officers at his office recently.

Mysuru, July 29 (PM&DM)- Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep has directed officials to dispose off applications seeking land records, income certificate and caste certificate received at Atalji Jana Snehi Kendras (AJSK) at the earliest.

Presiding over a meeting of Revenue Officers at his office here recently, Randeep said a time frame has been stipulated for every service rendered at the Kendras and the officials should ensure that applications are disposed off within the set time-frame.

Taking exception to T. Narasipur taluk lagging far behind in the disposal of AJSK applications, the DC warned the officials that they would attract the ire of the Chief Minister.

Stressing on the need for rendering time bound services under AJSK, Randeep warned of action against officials who show laxity in discharging their duties.

ADC T. Yogesh who also addressed the meet, said that there were 5,056 cases of 'Haddubastu' pending in the district.

Expressing disappointment over non-disposal of some cases since 2011, he instructed the officials to dispose off old cases in four or five months.

Referring to lake encroachments, Yogesh asked the ZP Engineering section to carry out a fresh survey and prepare a correct list, as the statistics on lake encroachments does not tally with available records.

DC D. Randeep instructed the officials to conduct janaspandana programmes at all taluks on a regular basis so as to connect with the people. Mysuru AC Shivegowda, Hunsur AC Dr. Soujanya, Mysuru Tahsildar T. Ramesh Babu and other officials attended the meeting.

Lakshmi Palecanda's book launch tomorrow

Mysuru, July 29-Book Clubs-2015 and author Lakshmi Palecanda have organised a book launch event on July 30 at *Roopa Elite,* 6th Main, Vontikoppal, at 5 pm.

Dr. Javeed Nayeem and Lalitha Rao will release the books '*The Fifth Wedding*' and '*Indian-American ... Then Indian Again*' authored by Lakshmi Palecanda.

The author will also be in conversation with another author from Mysuru Sujata Rajpal. The books will be received by Dr. Lata Muthanna and Vinaya Prabhavathy.

Lakshmi, a scientist-turned-author, moved to Mysuru in 2009 from the United States, where she had lived for 18 years.

'*The Fifth Wedding*' is a romance straight from life in South India while '*Indian-American ... Then Indian Again*' is a compilation of articles written across a number of years and published in both Indian and Indian-American magazines.

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44th National Women's Challengers Chess Championship

Bhakti emerges sole leader

WGM Soumya Swaminathan (left) ***seen in action against WGM Bhakti Kulkarni of Air India in Round 10 of the on-going 44th National Women's Challenger Chess Championship in city.***

Mysuru, July 29- Fifth seed WGM Bhakti Kulkarni (Air India) with 8.5 points continuing her excellent form beat overnight leader and top-seed WGM Soumya Swaminathan of PSPB to emerg as the sole leader after ten rounds. With this win Bhakti has brightened her chances of winning the title on 44th National Women Challengers Chess championship 2017 being held at Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club in city.

Playing on the top board with black pieces, Bhakti Kulkarni was involved in a keen tussle with top-seed Soumya Swaminathan. She forged ahead in the middle game capitalising on the errors committed by Soumya and the board in 49 moves.

As far as other results are concerned, second seed Mary Ann Gomes of PSPB with 8 points from ten rounds is placed second in the ranking. She scored a well earned win over fourth seed IM Nisha Mohota (PSPB) in 54 moves in the tenth round.

Three players, WGM Soumya Swaminathan, P. Bala Kannamma (TN) and Srishti Pandey (MAH) are tied with 7.5 points and are placed from third to fifth in the rankings after the tenth round. Eleven players are tied with 6.5 points and are placed from 14 to 24 in the rankings after the tenth round.

IMPORTANT RESULTS

ROUND 10

Soumya Swaminathan (7.5) lost to Bhakti Kulkarni (8.5); Nisha Mohota (6.5) lost to Mary Ann Gomes (8); Meenakshi Subbaraman (6.5) lost to Bala Kannamma (7.5); Srishti Pandey (7.5) beat Kiran Manisha Mohanty (6.5); G. Sandhya (7) drew with Parnali S. Dharia (7); L. Jyotsna (7) drew with Chitlange Sakshi (7); Arpita Mukherjee (7) beat C. Lakshmi (6.5), Sanskriti Goyal (6) lost to Nandhidhaa Pv (7); Rucha Pujari (7) beat R. Divya Lakshmi (6); Ghosh Samriddhaa (7) beat G. Harshitha (6), Swati Ghate (6.5) beat Makhija Aashna (5.5), N.L.V. Anusha (5.5) lost to Srija Seshadri (6.5); P. Michelle Catherine (6) drew with Shetye Siddhali (6), M. Mahalakshmi(6.5) beat Stuti Bhanot (5.5); Chandreyee Hajra (6.5) beat Swera Ana Braganca (5.5).

Dr.(Capt.) K. Thimmappiah Memorial Tournament

Sandeep Sharma, Gurkeeret shine for Punjab

Mysuru, July 29- An excellent rear-guard action by Punjab's lower order batsmen spearheaded by Sandeep Sharma (78, 78b, 9x4s) and his vital 102-run ninth wicket partnership with Mayank Markande (27,2x4s), combined with excellent batting by skipper Gurkeeret Mann (73, 8x4s, 4x6s), helped Punjab to post a decent total of 309 for nine in 90 overs in their first innings against Mumbai CA in the four-day Group 'B' tie of the Dr. (Capt.) K. Thimmappiah Memorial Tournament played at the SDNR Wadiyar Stadium here yesterday.

The Scores: Punjab CA 309 for nine in 90 overs (Sandeep Sharma 78, Gurkeeret Mann 73, Manan Vohra 58, Mayank Markande 27, Arush Subharwal 23, Vijay Gohil three for 91, Minad Manjrekar three for 59, Roystan Dias two for 58) Vs Mumbai CA.

Gujarat CA 252 for six in 90 overs (Manprit Juneja 66, Chirag Gandhi 51, Chintan Gaja 28 n.o., Mehul Patel 27 n.o., Rahul Shah 22, Sandeep S Warrier two for 51, Akshay Chandran two for 77) Vs Kerala CA.

Good response for MYSURU WARRIORS Talent Hunt

Mysuru, July 29- Mysuru Warriors, city-based Karnataka Premier League (KPL) franchise owned by NR Group, held the selection trials at Gangothri Glades in city this morning.

More than 100 cricketers from Mysuru, Mandya and Chamarajanagar representing Mysuru Zone took part in the selection process today.

The team of selectors comprising M.S. Ravindra, R. Madhusudan, K. Harish and Somashekar will select 20 players from city in the first leg who will take part in the final selection process to be held at PET Grounds in Mandya tomorrow (July 30). The selected players in the Talent Hunt will be recommended to be included in the player's auction for the upcoming KPL-2018 which is yet to be announced. Similar, selection trials for rest of Karnataka players was held at the Just Cricket Academy located at Yelahanka in Bengaluru.

Mysuru Warriors Team Manager M.R. Suresh, KSCA Mysuru Zone Convenor S. Balachandar were present.

Pro Kabaddi Season 5

Telugu Titans, Puneri Paltan start off with wins

Hyderabad, July 29 - Telugu Titans and Puneri Paltan made winning starts on the opening day of that Pro Kabaddi Season 5 in Hyderabad yesterday. In the inaugural match, Rahul Chaudhari led the charge for Telugu Titans as they defeated debutants Tamil Thalaivas 32-27 in front of their adoring fans at the Gachibowli Indoor Stadium. While the Thalaivas showed a spark of brilliance by K. Prapanjan and Ajay Thakur, it wasn't enough for the visitors who went down fighting.

Looking to continue the winning run, Telugu Titans will now play their second game today (July 39) against defending champions Patna Pirates. On the other hand, Tamil Thalaivas will be happy to learn from their debut experience and hope to find their footing when they meet Bengaluru Bulls on August 4.

The second match opening day pitched both the teams from Maharashtra against each other. U Mumba, captained by talismanic raider Anup Kumar, had the likes of Kashiling Adake (the player with the second highest raid points in the league), and the experienced Shabeer Bappu, while Deepak Hooda's Puneri Paltan boasted the likes of Sandeep Narwal and Dharmaraj Cheralathan. It was an encounter between Mumbai's attack and Pune's defence in which Pune emerged supreme with the final score of 33-21 in their favour. This was the Paltan's second win in nine matches against U Mumba in the history of the league.

U Mumba will now face debutants Haryana Steelers on July 30 (Sunday) in Hyderabad, while Puneri Paltan will face Dabang Delhi K.C. on Aug. 4 in Nagpur.

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TODAY'S MATCHES

Jaipur Pink Panthers Vs Dabang Delhi K.C	8.00 PM
Telugu Titans Vs Patna Pirates	9.00 PM

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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

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Faizan Khan, a student of St. Philomena's High School in city won silver medal in the district level wrestling competition organised by Department of Public Instruction recently. He has been selected to take part in the State level competition in the 45-50 kg category.

Mysuru, Nashua sign Twinning Agreement

New Hampshire Ward 8 State Representative Latha Mangipudi addressing a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan as former President of MCCI R. Krishna and President A.S. Satish look on.

"Already two representatives from Nashua have visited Mysuru three months ago after the signing of the Twinning Agreement between the two cities Mysuru and Nashua and they have been introduced to the culture, living practice and the industrial development of the city. Similarly, youth representatives from Mysuru will visit Nashua, understand and learn the relevance of that city." ***—Latha Mangipudi***

Mysuru, July 29 (SP&NNN)- Mysuru-born Nashua, New Hampshire Ward 8 State Representative, Latha Mangipudi expressed happiness with the twinning agreement signed between Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) and Nashua, New Hampshire State, here recently.

She was addressing a press conference at Pathrakartara Bhavan, in the presence of Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) President A.S. Satish and former President R. Krishna here yesterday and said that both Mysuru and Nashua are known for their cleanliness.

Lauding the role of MCCI in bringing the two cities together, Latha Mangipudi said that the Mayor of Mysuru M.J. Ravikumar and Mayor of Nashua Jim Donchess had signed the Twinning Agreement for establishment of friendship and cooperation between the two cities.

The areas of cooperation include exchanging expertise and cooperation in the fields of service delivery, civic administration, land use planning and management, transport, shelter, education, culture, sports, waster water and solid waste management, infrastructure, urban renewal, urban and regional planning and related matters, she said.

Stressing on the strength of what Mysuru could offer, she said, since Mysuru is considered the yoga capital of the world, the awareness of its benefit needs to be spread in the US so that people working in the industries and IT companies can understand its many health benefits.

Also, her State is interested in looking at the Zoo animals in the famous Mysuru Zoo and see how best it can be developed with mutual cooperation.

The role of ISKCON in mitigating the hunger of poor children through their Akshaya Patra programme is also something that has interested her people in the US who are keen to come forward to implement it, said Latha Mangipudi.

Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Jayanti

Mysuru, July 29- The 98th birth anniversary of Jayachamaraja Wadiyar will be held under the aegis of Ursu Chintakara Chavadi at Sarada Vilas College Centenary Hall in Krishnamurthypuram at 10 am tomorrow. Retired Deputy Director of Education Department N. Nanjaraje Urs will unveil a portrait of Jayachamaraja Wadiyar. MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha will be the chief guest.

Retired members of UoM Co-op. Society to be feted

Mysuru, July 29 (US)- As part of the Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Mysore University Employees Credit Co-operative Society, retired members of the Society will be felicitated and Pratibha Puraskar will be presented to meritorious children of members who have excelled in SSLC and PU examinations, at a function to be organised tomorrow at Maharaja's College Centenary Hall here at 9.30 am.

UoM Vice-Chancellor (Acting) Dr. A. Dayananda Mane will be the chief guest. Mayor M.J. Ravikumar, University Finance Officer B. Mahadevappa and others would participate.

ZP Meeting postponed

Mysuru, July 29- The Zilla Panchayat (ZP) General Meeting, which was scheduled to be held at ZP hall today at 11 am, has been postponed to Aug. 1, according to the ZP CEO.

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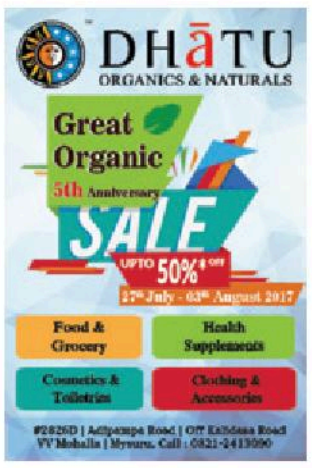

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	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Dhairyam	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
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Raajakumara	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
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Toss	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
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HINDI			
Mubarakan	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
Sorry Teacher	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Nibunan	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
Vikram Vedha	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
TELUGU			
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	(S-1)	11 am, 4.15 pm, 7.00, 9.45
Lipstick Under My Burka (H)	(S-1)	1.45 pm
Aa Eradu Varshagalu (K)	(S-2)	10.40 am
Vismaya (K)	(S-2)	1.00 pm
Dunkirk (E)	(S-2)	3.25 pm, 5.25 pm
	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Ondu Motteya Kathe (K)	(S-2)	7.30 pm
Gowtham Nanda (Te)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Operation Alamelamma (K)	(S-3)	11.00 am
Indu Sarkar (H)	(S-3)	1.45 pm
Nibunan (Ta)	(S-3)	4.30 pm
Mubarakan (H)	(S-3)	7.00 pm
	(S-4)	11.00 am, 9.50 pm
Vikram Vedha (Ta)	(S-4)	1.55 pm
Raag Desh (H)	(S-4)	4.45 pm
Fidaa (Te)	(S-4)	7.15 pm

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Mubarakan (H)	(S-1)	9.55 am, 1.00 pm
		6.50 pm, 9.55 pm
Indu Sarkar (H)	(S-2)	10.50 am; (S-3) 6.40 pm
Spiderman Homecoming (E-3D)	(S-1)	4.05 pm
Gowtham Nanda (Te)	(S-2)	10.00 am, 3.35 pm
Dunkirk (E)	(S-2)	1.40 pm, 9.45 pm
Aa Eradu Varshagalu (K)	(S-4)	7.15 pm
Vismaya (K)	(S-4)	4.35 pm
Kireeta (K)	(S-4)	10.35 am
Fidaa (Te)	(S-2)	6.50 pm
Vikram Vedha (Ta)	(S-2)	3.55 pm; (S-3) 9.30 pm
Alamelamma (K)	(S-4)	1.45 pm
Ondu Motteya Kathe (K)	(S-4)	9.50 pm
Lipstick Under My Burkha (H)	(S-3)	1.05 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

AIR ON SUNDAY

6.00 am Patriotic Songs, 6.10 Geetaradhana, 6.30 Chinthana, 6.35 Raitarige Salahe, 6.45 Sponsored Prog., 7.15 Bhavageete, 8.30 Radio Doctor, 10.00 Keli Giligale, 10.15 Jenkara, 10.30 Makkala Mantapa, 11.00 Kamanabillu, 12.00 noon Music Recital, 1.00 pm Devaranama, 1.20 Bhavageete, 1.40 Madhyanada Madhurya, 2.35 Vaarada Atithi, 4.00 Vaarada Cinema, 6.45 Folk Songs, 6.50 Krishi Ranga, 8.00 Vijnana Bharati, 9.16 Bhajans, 9.30 Akhila Bharata Ravivarada Sangeetha Sabha.

EVENTS TODAY (JULY 29)

Kalasuruchi: Story-telling by Dr. B.V. Vasanthakumar, Suruchi Rangamane, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm.**

Sri Bhandarakeri Mutt: 38th Chaturmasya Vratam of Sri Vidyesha Teertha Swamiji, 'Harinama Sankeerthana' by Bhajana Mandali, **4.30 pm;** Discourse, Sri Vitthaladhama, J.P. Nagar, **6 pm.**

Karnataka State Backward Classes Awareness Forum and Rakesh Siddharamaiah Social Justice Institution: Late Rakesh Siddharamaiah's 1st Punyasmarane, 'Social Justice' Ratha Yatra as part of 'Rakesh Siddharamaiah Nenapu - Social Justice Convention,' opposite Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate, **4.30 pm.**

District Kannada Sahitya Parishat and Kadamba Ranga Vedike: 'Ranga Sanje,' felicitation to Rangayana Director Bhagirathi Bai Kadam, talk on 'Ranga Patrikegalu - Ondu Avalokana' by theatre artiste Dr. A. Parshvanath, Parishat Mysuru President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna presides, Ranga Vedike President Rajashekar Kadamba delivers keynote address, Parishat premises, Palace North Gate, **5 pm.**

Suttur Mutt, Mysuru branch: Shravana month, Mass prayers, **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Discourse on 'Gubbi Mallannaarya's Veerashaivamrutha Purana' by Dr. K. Anantharamu, Vaachana by Dr. K. Ramachandra, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Akhila Karnataka Rakesh Siddharamaiah Abhimanigala Balaga, Mysuru: 'Rakesh nimage namadondu namana' programme, Sri Shivanandapuri Swamiji graces the occasion, MLA M.K. Somashekar inaugurates, MyLAC Chairman H.A. Venkatesh delivers keynote address, MLA Vasu presides, MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar, KEA Chairman Siddaraju, former ZP President K. Marigowda, former MyLAC Chairman Ananthu and Corporator Prashanth Gowda, former State Safaikarmacharis Commission Chairman Narayan, chief guests, Freedom Fighters' Park, Subbarayanakere, **6 pm.**

Sri Shivarathreeshwara Religious Endowment, JSS Mahavdiyapeetha: Shivanubhava Dasoha Lecture Series-237, talk on 'Sharanara Sarala Jeevana' by JSS Karnataka Open University Director Prof. K.M. Veeraiah, Karnataka State Middle School Teachers Association President Shivananda Sindanakera presides, Bhajans by Sri Shivarathri Rajendra art troupe, Navajyoti auditorium, JSS Women's College premises, Saraswathipuram, **6 pm.**

Prastuti - Cultural Educational Women's Organisation, Social Research and Development Centre, Mysuru: Staging of late Lingadevaru Halemane's play 'Taskara,' Rangayana Director Bhagirathi Bai Kadam inaugurates, Kannada & Culture Asst. Director H. Channappa, theatre director Nataraja Honnavalli, playwright Sujatha Akki and Vijaya Vittala College Principal H. Satyaprasad chief guests, Vanaranga, Rangayana, **6 pm.**

Chinmaya Mission, Mysuru: Vishnu Sahasranama chanting, **6 pm;** Discourse on Mukunda Mala in Kannada by Pujya Swami Krutatmanandaji, Shivananda Jnanalaya, JLB Road, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Atmajnanandaji speaks on 'The Gospel of Holy Mother,' Ashrama, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: Sri Jayachamarajendra Wadiyar Vardhanti Concert, Karnatak Classical Vocal by Vidu. Vrinda Acharya, Vid. Mattur Srinidhi on violin, Vidu. Ranjani Venkatesh on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata, Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Sri Navagraha Sheneshwaraswamy Temple: Shravana celebrations, Devotional songs by Sri Navagraha Shaneshwara Bhakta Mandali, Temple premises, #79/2A, 5th Cross, Rajendranagar, **6 pm.**

Sri Shaneshwara Bhakta Mandali: Shravana Month Programmes, Bhajans by Sri Rajarajeshwari Bhajana Mandali, **6 pm;** Staging of 'Mythological play 'Raja Vikrama' by Sri Shaneshwaraswamy Krupa Poshita Nataka Mandali-Nazarbad, Temple premises, Rajendranagar, **9.30 pm.**

Bharati Yogadhama of Sri Sadvidya Pratishtana, Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha and Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions: Discourse on 'Bhagavatha Katha' by senior scholar Dr. K.L. Shankaranarayana Jois, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm.**

Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru city unit: Shravana Sharana Sanje, residence of Basavaraja Gundar, #304, Manasa Palm String, Adipampa Road, opp. Federal Bank, V.V. Puram, **6.30 pm.**

Prajapita Brahma Kumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya: Talk on 'Illness to Wellness' by Dr. Prem Masand, Consultant Radiation Oncologist, Global Hospital & Research Centre, Mt. Abu, Gyan Prakash Bhavan, Yadavagiri, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JULY 30)

Art Expo: Nature painting expo with the theme 'Kukkarahalli Kereya Sutta' by artist Shivakumar H. Doddarasinakere, Kukkarahalli Lake premises, near peepal tree, **6.30 am to 6.30 pm.**

Sri Navagraha Sheneshwaraswamy Temple: 7th annual Shravana celebrations, special puja and Prasada Viniyoga, **7 am;** Anna Santharpane, **12.30 pm;** Anna Santharpane, Harikathe 'Raja Vikrama' or 'Navagraha Prabhava' by Vid. Narasimhan and team, Temple premises, #79/2A, 5th Cross, Rajendranagar, **6 pm.**

Avadhoota Datta Peetha: Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetha, Discourse on Yoga Vashista by Sri Swamiji, **7.30 am;** Srichakra Puja, Maha Ganapathy Homa etc., Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama, Ooty Road, **8.30 am.**

Mysore University Employees Co-operative Credit Society, Maharaja's College premises: Felicitation to retd. Employees of the Society and Pratibha Puraskar presentation ceremony, Mysore University VC (in-Charge) Prof. Dayananda Mane, Mayor M.J. Ravikumar, Mysore University Finance Officer Prof. B. Mahadevappa chief guests, Society President K. Manjula presides, Society Vice-President C. Purushotham will be present, Maharaja's College Centenary Hall, **9.30 am.**

Ursu Chintakara Chavadi: Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar's 98th birth anniversary celebrations, JC Wadiyar's granddaughter Tripura Sundari Devi inaugurates, JC Wadiyar's daughter Kamakshi Devi, retd. DDPI N. Nanjaraje Urs unveils portrait of JC Wadiar, MCC Commission G. Jagadeesha chief guest, Chavadi President Kemparaje Urs presides, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **10 am.**

BEML Basava Samiti: Basava Jayanti and Samiti's 26th anniversary celebrations, Sri Basava Jayamrutyunjaya Swamiji graces the occasion, Kundur Mutt's Dr. Sri Sharashchandra Swamiji inaugurates, BEML Basava Samiti President B.S. Thandavamurthy presides, Vivekananda auditorium, Mahajana College, Jayalakshmipuram, **10 am.**

Ambedkar Vividodesha Seva Samsthe, Siddarthanagar: Fifth anniversary celebrations and 'Pratibha Puraskar' presentation to 500 SC/ST students, Kalamandira, **10 am to 6 pm.**

CO-OPTEX: Exhibition of Silk Kora Cotton and Cotton Sarees, Co-optex Showroom, N.S. Road, **10 am to 8 pm.**

JSS Urban Haat: Vastra Utsav, Urban Haat premises, Plot No. 432, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Area, **10 am to 9 pm.**

Sahara Art and Craft: Shopping Festival-2017, Scouts & Guides Ground, behind DC's Office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**

Karnataka State Backward Classes Awareness Forum and Rakesh Siddharamaiah Social Justice Institution: Late Rakesh Siddharamaiah's 1st Punyasmarane — 'Rakesh Siddharamaiah Nenapu - Social Justice Convention,' noted writer Prof. Chandrashekar Patil inaugurates the Convention, Journalist Rajashekar Koti, City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subrahmanyeswara Rao, DC D. Randeep, SP Ravi D. Channannavar, Varuna Constituency's Housing Committee President Dr. Yatindra Siddharamaiah, CM's Joint Secretary M. Ramaiah, folk scholar Dr. K. Rameshwarappa chief guests, writer Prof. H.S. Ramachandregowda presides, Karnataka State Backward Classes Awareness Forum State President K.S. Shivaramu speaks, **10.30 am;** Session-1, **2 pm to 4 pm;** Session-2, Rani Bahadur auditorium, Hunsur Road, Manasagangothri, **4 pm to 6 pm.**

Pt. Taranath Foundation, Mysuru:

'Sarangiya Rangu' programme, Sarangi recital by **Sarfaraj Khan,** tabla accompaniment by **Sumith S. Nayak,** 'Meenakri' - residence of M.L. Krishnaswamy, #12/A, 1st Main Road, 4th Stage, T.K. Layout (near Kamakshi Hospital), **10.30 am.**

Mysuru Region Engineers and Non-Technical Employees Housing Co-operative Society: AGM, Sri Vidyashankar Nilaya Kalyana Mantap, Fort Mohalla, **10.30 am.**

Shri Kaveri Kodagu Mahila Sangha: Free medical camp, Dr. Chendrimada Padmini Kaveriappa inaugurates, Sangha President Jerry Ponnappa presides, Kodagu Model School run by Sri Kavery Kodava Association, Mysore East, CA No. 4, Kaveri Road, Vidyashankar Nagar, Alanahalli Cluster, **10.30 am to 4 pm.**

Roopa Prakashana, Mysuru: Horeyala Doreswamy's books release, writer D.A. Shankar inaugurates, social worker V.N. Lakshminarayana and theatre artiste K.G. Narayana Kikkeri will speak about the books, publisher U.S. Mahesh and author Horeyala Doreswamy will be present, Maneyangala, Kalamandira, **10.30 am.**

Ushakirana Eye Hospital, Mysuru and Sri Vivekananda Sevashrama, Bengaluru: Celebrating successful 200 eye surgery conducted on children, Dr. Tirumalachar presides, Vasudevacharya Bhavan, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **11 am.**

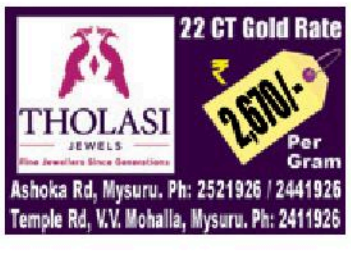
Gruha Shobhe: Living Style Expo, Maharaja's College Ground, **11 am to 9 pm.**

Mysuru District Kurubara Sangha: Pratibha Puraskar, Sri Shivanandapuri Swamiji graces the occasion, MLA M.K. Somashekar inaugurates, Sangha President Annegowda of Periyapatna presides, Hotel Govardhan, **3 pm.**

Kreedabhimanigala Balaga, Mysuru: Prize distribution ceremony of Mysuru District Level Primary School Boys and Girls Kho-Kho Tournament (2017-18), Basudev Somani College Principal Dr. M. Mahadevaiah distributes prizes, Mysore University DPE Director (in-charge) Dr. P. Krishnaiah chief guest, retd. DPE Director Dr. C. Krishna presides, Mysore University Sports Pavilion, **4.30 pm.**

Sri Bhandarakeri Mutt: 38th Chaturmasya Vratam of Sri Vidyesha Teertha Swamiji, 'Harinama Sankeerthana' by Bhajana Mandali, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** Discourse, Sri Vitthaladhama, J.P. Nagar, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Book Clubs-2015 and Lakshmi Palecanda: Lakshmi Palecanda's books release by Dr. Javeed Nayeem and Lalitha Rao, books will be received by Dr. Lata Muthanna and Vinaya Prabhavathy, author will be in conversation with Sujata Rajpal, Hotel Roopa Elite, above Saravana Bhavan, opp. Loyal World, 5th Main, Vontikoppal, **5 pm.**



Staging of *'Taskara'* this evening

Mysuru, July 29- Late Lingadevaru Halemane's play *'Taskara'* will be staged at Vanaranga in Rangayana premises today (July 29) at 6 pm under the aegis of Prastuti - Cultural Educational Women's Organisation, Social Research and Development Centre, Mysuru.

Rangayana Director Bhagirathi Bai Kadam will inaugurate. Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Channappa, Theatre Director Nataraja Honnavalli, playwright Sujatha Akki and Vijaya Vittala College Principal H. Satyaprasad will be the chief guests.

Pharmacy student bags rank

Mysuru, July 29-**Y. Sonika,** a student of Farooqia College of Pharmacy in city has secured 1st rank by scoring 855 marks in the Annual 2nd D.Pharm Exams in Karnataka conducted by the Drugs Control Department, Board of Examining Authority, Bengaluru. A total of 5,057 students appeared for 2nd D.Pharm exams in Karnataka.

Many students of Farooqia Pharmacy College secured distinction in the Final D.Pharm, according to a press release from Dr. M.D. Salahuddin, Principal.

Workshop on Civil AutoCAD

Mysuru, July 29-The Department of Civil Engineering, Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering, Mysore, is conducting a 15-day workshop on "Civil AutoCAD 2D & 3D" from July 25 to Aug.8 at its premises.

This workshop is designed to train the students to master the tool and create professional 2D drawings. Then using 2D drawings, 3D models can be generated for realistic 3D-presentations which helps in visualisation of the end products like residences, office, etc.

The workshop was inaugurated by P. Vishwanath, Hon.Secretary, Vidyavardhaka Sangha (VVS). S.N.Lakshminarayana, Hon. Treasurer, Dr. B. Sadashivegowda, Principal, Dr. H. S. Dayananda, Dean (Academics) and HoD of Civil Engineering, P. Manoj, Programme Coordinator, S. Jayaprakash, Technical Head and M. Madhu of Ballal CADD Training Centre, were present.

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